

of that approach. If there are honest amendments offered in good faith, debated, and brought for a vote, that is what the Senate is about. But if we continue to delay indefinitely the consideration of these amendments, our patience will grow thin, and we will have to move this toward a point where the bill is honestly considered.

FURTHER CHANGES TO S. CON. RES. 13

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, section 301 of S. Con. Res. 13, the 2010 budget resolution, permits the chairman of the Senate Budget Committee to adjust the allocations of a committee or committees, aggregates, and other appropriate levels and limits in the resolution, and make adjustments to the pay-as-you-go scorecard, for legislation that is deficit-neutral over 11 years, reduces excess cost growth in health care spending, is fiscally responsible over the long term, and fulfills at least one of eight other conditions listed in the reserve fund.

I have already made one adjustment pursuant to section 301(a) on November 21, for S.A. 2786, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, an amendment in the nature of a substitute to H.R. 3590. I now file further changes to S. Con. Res. 13 pursuant to section 301(a) for S.A. 2791, an amendment to clarify provisions relating to first dollar coverage for preventive services for women. I find that that in conjunction with S.A. 2786, this amendment also satisfies the conditions of the deficit-neutral reserve fund to transform and modernize American's health care system. Therefore, pursuant to section 301(a), I am further revising the aggregates in the 2010 budget resolution, as well as the allocation to the Senate Finance Committee.

I ask unanimous consent to have the following revisions to S. Con. Res. 13 printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010—S. CON. RES. 13; FURTHER REVISIONS TO THE CONFERENCE AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 301(a) DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND TO TRANS- FORM AND MODERNIZE AMERICA'S HEALTH CARE SYS- TEM

(In billions of dollars)

Section 101

(1)(A) Federal Revenues:

FY 2009—	1,532,579
FY 2010—	1,623,888
FY 2011—	1,944,811
FY 2012—	2,145,815
FY 2013—	2,322,897
FY 2014—	2,560,448

(1)(B) Change in Federal Revenues:

FY 2009—	0.008
FY 2010—	-42.098
FY 2011—	-143.820
FY 2012—	-214.578
FY 2013—	-192.440
FY 2014—	-73.210

(2) New Budget Authority:

FY 2009—	3,675,736
FY 2010—	2,910,707
FY 2011—	2,842,766

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010—S. CON. RES. 13; FURTHER REVISIONS TO THE CONFERENCE AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 301(a) DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND TO TRANS- FORM AND MODERNIZE AMERICA'S HEALTH CARE SYS- TEM—Continued

(In billions of dollars)

FY 2012—	2,829,808
FY 2013—	2,983,128
FY 2014—	3,193,887
(3) Budget Outlays:	
FY 2009—	3,358,952
FY 2010—	3,021,741
FY 2011—	2,966,921
FY 2012—	2,863,655
FY 2013—	2,989,852
FY 2014—	3,179,437

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010—S. CON. RES. 13; FURTHER REVISIONS TO THE CONFERENCE AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 301(a) DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND TO TRANS- FORM AND MODERNIZE AMERICA'S HEALTH CARE SYS- TEM

(In millions of dollars)

Current Allocation to Senate Finance Committee:

FY 2009 Budget Authority	1,178,757
FY 2009 Outlays	1,166,970
FY 2010 Budget Authority	1,249,836
FY 2010 Outlays	1,249,342
FY 2010-2014 Budget Authority	6,824,797
FY 2010-2014 Outlays	6,818,905

Adjustments:

FY 2009 Budget Authority	0
FY 2009 Outlays	0
FY 2010 Budget Authority	0
FY 2010 Outlays	0
FY 2010-2014 Budget Authority	20
FY 2010-2014 Outlays	20

Revised Allocation to Senate Finance Committee:

FY 2009 Budget Authority	1,178,757
FY 2009 Outlays	1,166,970
FY 2010 Budget Authority	1,249,836
FY 2010 Outlays	1,249,342
FY 2010-2014 Budget Authority	6,824,817
FY 2010-2014 Outlays	6,818,925

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. DURBIN. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

CARTAGENA LANDMINE BAN TREATY REVIEW CONFERENCE

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I want to speak briefly on a subject that many Members of Congress—Democrats and Republicans—have had an abiding interest in over the years.

Throughout this week, delegates from countries around the world will gather in Cartagena, Colombia, to participate in the Second Review Conference of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction.

The Cartagena review conference would have been the perfect opportunity for the Obama administration to announce its intention to join the 156 other nations that are parties to the treaty, including our coalition allies in Iraq and Afghanistan.

In fact, every member of NATO and every country in our hemisphere, ex-

cept Cuba, is a party to the treaty. The United States is one of only 37 countries that have not joined, along with Russia and China.

By announcing our intention to join the treaty in Cartagena, this administration would have signaled to the rest of the world that the United States is finally showing the leadership that has been wanting on these indiscriminate weapons that maim and kill thousands of innocent people every year.

The U.S. military is the most powerful in the world. Yet we have seen how civilian casualties in Afghanistan have become one of the most urgent and pressing concerns of our military commanders, where bombs that missed their targets and other mistakes have turned the populace against us.

Despite this, one of the arguments the Pentagon makes for resisting calls to join the Mine Ban Treaty is to preserve its option to use landmines in Afghanistan, even though we have not used these indiscriminate weapons since 1991.

Since the Pentagon has never voluntarily given up any weapon, including poison gas, which President Woodrow Wilson renounced in 1925, perhaps this is to be expected.

But can anyone imagine the United States using landmines in Afghanistan, a country where more civilians have been killed or horribly injured from mines than any other in history?

A country which, like our coalition partners, is itself a party to the treaty?

A country where if we used mines and civilians were killed or injured the public outcry in Afghanistan and around the world would be deafening?

Can anyone imagine this President, who has been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize which only a few years ago was awarded to the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, having to publicly defend such a decision?

I wonder if anyone at the Pentagon has thought of the military and political implications of that.

Last Tuesday, the State Department spokesman announced that the administration had completed a review on its landmine policy and had decided to continue supporting the Bush administration's policy, which was, in key aspects, a retreat from the policy of President Clinton.

This was a surprise to me and others, as I had encouraged the administration to conduct such a review and then heard nothing for months. In fact, I had spoken personally with President Obama about it just a few weeks before.

I did not hesitate to express my disappointment, as did many others. Thereafter the State Department corrected itself, and announced that a "comprehensive review" is continuing and reaffirmed its earlier decision to send a team of observers to the Cartagena review conference this week.

It is unfortunate that the State Department spokesman misspoke. However, the administration's approach to